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#### PATENT APPLICATION

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Applicant:

Shinji Miyamoto

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ABNORMALITY DETECTION METHOD OF DETECTOR FOR

**EMISSION CONTROL** 

Art Unit:

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Examiner:

Oritz Criado, Jorge L.

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## **TRANSMITTAL**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-150

Sir:

- (X) Enclosed is a Response to Election/Restriction Requirement.
- (X) If a Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an extension of time for response is required to make the attached response timely and does not separately accompany this transmittal, Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.
- (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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## RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Election/Restriction Requirement mailed January 16, 2007, applicants elect Species a, Fig. 8, with traverse. Claims 1-3 and 10-13 before amendment read on the elected species. However, the claims have been amended to overcome this requirement, as will be explained in the Remarks. A listing of claims is as follows: